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“Lighted Lamps – When Required”

When driving upon the roadways of this state, vehicles shall display lighted headlamps, other lamps, and illuminating devices required on vehicles from a half hour before sunrise and a half hour after sunset. These lights shall also be illuminated during times of insufficient light, unfavorable atmospheric conditions, or any other time conditions make it difficult to see other vehicles. (RCW 46.37.020) Parking lamps and fog lamps shall not be used alone during the conditions stated above, as they do not illuminate sufficient light to be seen by other motorists.

Use low beams in fog or when it is snowing or raining hard, as light from high beams will reflect back, causing glare and making it more difficult to see ahead. Remember, you want to be seen and be able to see others.

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